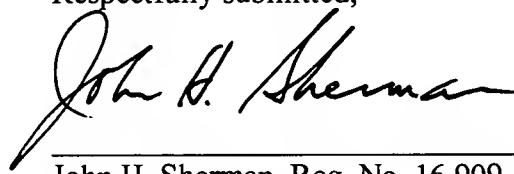


REMARKS

Claims 18 – 20 remain in this application, being acknowledged as allowable subject matter in the above-identified Final Action. Claims 5 – 8 and 13 – 16 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. It is expected that a continuation application will be filed in due course.

Applicant respectfully requests that the above amendments be entered and that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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